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ALLERGIC REACTIONS - PEDIATRIC (Less than 15 years of age)

FIELD ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT INDICATORS

- 1. Signs and Symptoms of an Acute Allergic Reaction.
- 2. History of Exposure to Possible Allergen.

BLS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Recognize s/s of respiratory distress for age.
- 2. Reduce anxiety, assist patient to assume POC.
- 3. Oxygen administration as clinically indicated, (humidified oxygen preferred).
- 4. Assist patient with self-administration of prescribed Epinephrine device.
- 5. Assist patient with self-administration of prescribed Diphenhydramine.

ALS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Maintain airway with appropriate adjuncts, obtain oxygen saturation on room air if possible
- 2. Nebulized Albuterol 2.5 mg with Atrovent may repeat times two (2).
 - a. 1 Day to 12 months Atrovent 0.25mg
 - b. 1 year to 14 years Atrovent 0.5mg
- 3. If no response to Albuterol and Atrovent, consider Epinephrine (1:1,000) 0.01mg/kg SC not to exceed adult dosage of 0.3mg.
- 4. For symptomatic hypotension with poor perfusion, consider fluid bolus of 20ml/kg of NS not to exceed 300ml NS and repeat as indicated.
- 5. Diphenhydramine 1mg/kg slow IV or 2 mg/kg IM, not to exceed adult dose of 25mg IV/IO or 50mg IM.
- 6. Establish additional IV access if indicated.

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7. For anaphylactic shock (e.g., no palpable radial pulse and a depressed level of consciousness), administer epinephrine dose 0.01mg/kg (1:10,000) IV/IO, no more than 0.1mg per dose. May repeat to a maximum of 0.5 mg.

8. Base Station may order additional medication dosages and additional fluid boluses.